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## House Resolution No. 678

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State high school athletic programs which typify the highest standards of sportsmanship, teamwork, training, determination, and drive throughout the competitive season; and

Whereas, the 2004 Vashon High School basketball team has distinguished itself by being named the #1 high school team in the nation in the current ranking by USA Today; and

Whereas, with a win-loss record of 19-0, the Vashon basketball team has garnered an outstanding 52-0 record since the 2003-2004 season began; and

Whereas, Vashon basketball players also attained the special distinction of earning first place in the Public High School League Championships for the twenty-first time in the school's illustrious history; and

Whereas, the Vashon High School basketball program has been successfully run by Head Coach Floyd Irons with help from Assistant Coaches Steve Hall, Ray Merriweather, Emmett Jones, Demetrius Pate, and William "Bill" Tolen and from Managers Bennie Gilliam, Dominique McIntosh, and Larry Pembleton; and

Whereas, players on the 2004 Vashon basketball team include Darron Hobbs, Donald Davis, James Washington, Cornelius Walker, Lamondrea Cannon, Johnny Hill, Alburey Doss, Bobby Hill, Kenny Daniels, Joseph Pembleton, Brian Roach, Raymond Harrell, Benjamin Adams, and Leon Powell; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to commend such outstanding high school athletic teams as the Vashon High School basketball team which brings glory and honor to its school and to this great state through the excellence of its accomplishments:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant achievements attained by the Vashon High School basketball team during the 2004-2005 competitive season, to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon being ranked #1 in the nation by <u>USA Today</u>, and to express our sincerest best wishes for continued personal and athletic success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Vashon High School 2004-2005 basketball program.

Offered by	Representative Amber (Holly) Boykins, No. 60
	Representative Rodney R. Hubbard, No. 58
	Representative Wes Wagner, No. 104
third Gener	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nine ral Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that a true and correct copy of House Resolution

No. 678, adopted February 17, 2005.